LISTING OF CLAIMS

1-2. (Canceled)

- 3. (Previously presented) The IP system according to claim 18, wherein a display of the handheld device displays information relating to an application executed on the IP appliance when the handheld device is operationally connected thereto.
- 4. (Previously presented) The IP system according to claim 18, wherein the handheld device establishes a Voice-over-IP (VoIP) call over a VoIP network through the IP appliance.
- 5. (Currently amended) The IP system according to claim 19, wherein the handheld device establishes a PSTN call over a PSTN network through the IP appliance, wherein the PSTN telecommunication service is the only network communication service of the IP system used to establish the PSTN call.
- 6. (Previously presented) The IP system according to claim 18, wherein the handheld device transmits data to and receives data from a remote device through the IP appliance.
- 7. (Previously presented) The IP system according to claim 18, wherein data is synchronized between the handheld device and a remote device through the IP appliance.
- 8. (Previously presented) The IP system according to claim 18, wherein the handheld device is a Personnel Data Assistant (PDA), a cell phone, a pager, an MP3 player or a combination thereof.

9-12. (Canceled)

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- 13. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 20, further including using a display of the handheld device to display information relating to an application executed on the IP appliance when the handheld device is operationally connected thereto.
- 14. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 20, further including establishing a Voice-over-IP (VoIP) call over a VoIP network through the IP appliance using the handheld device.
- 15. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 21, further including establishing a PSTN call over a PSTN network through the IP appliance using the handheld device, wherein the PSTN telecommunication service is the only network communication service of the IP system used to establish the PSTN call.
- 16. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 20, further including transmitting and receiving data between a remote device and the handheld device through the IP appliance.
- 17. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 20, further including synchronizing data between a remote device and the handheld device through the IP appliance.
 - 18. (Currently amended) An Internet Protocol (IP) system, comprising: an IP appliance, including:

an IP telephone;

an IP appliance connector;

at least one network interface to operationally connect the IP appliance to a network, the IP appliance having access to network communication services via the at least one network interface, the services including IP telephony services; and

a housing that retains the IP telephone, the IP appliance connector, and the network interface; and

a handheld device having a handheld device connector that physically mates with the IP appliance connector so that the handheld device and the IP appliance exchange signals;

wherein when the connectors are mated together the IP appliance and the handheld device share the operative connection of the IP appliance to the network and the handheld device accesses the network communication services accessible by the IP appliance when the connectors are mated together and without independently registering the handheld device with a network service provider.

- 19. (Previously presented) The IP system according to claim 18, wherein the network communication services further includes Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) telecommunication services.
- 20. (Currently amended) A method for using a handheld device connected to an Internet Protocol (IP) appliance, comprising:

establishing network communication services with an IP appliance, the services including IP telephony services;

coupling a handheld device to the IP appliance; and

accessing the network communication services with the handheld device <u>wherein</u>

the IP appliance and the handheld device share a connection to the network <u>without</u>

independently registering the handheld device with a network service provider.

21. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 20, wherein the network communication services further includes Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) telecommunication services.